

City of Austin Purchasing Office

Certificate of Exemption for Professional Services, Public Health and Safety or Other Exempt Purchase (Non-Competitive)

DATE:	April 13, 2021	DEPT:	City Manager's Office
TO:	Purchasing Officer or Designee	FROM:	Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde
PURCH	ASING POC:	PHONE	: 512-974-2627

Chapter 252 of the Local Government Code requires that municipalities comply with the procedures established for competitive sealed bids or proposals before entering into a contract requiring an expenditure unless the expenditure falls within an exemption listed in Section 252.022.

Refer to Local Government Code 252.022 for a complete list of exemptions: Link to Local Government Code

The City has selected a vendor for contract award and declares the competitive solicitation procedures in Local Government Code Chapter 252.022 to be exempt for this procurement. This Certificate of Exemption is hereby executed and filed with the Purchasing Office as follows:

1. The undersigned is authorized and certifies that the following exemption is applicable to this procurement.

Please check the criteria listed below that applies to this request:

- □ A procurement made because of a public calamity that requires the immediate appropriation of money to relieve the necessity of the municipality's residents or to preserve the property of a municipality.
- □ A procurement necessary to preserve or protect the public health or safety of the municipality's residents.
- □ A procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment, or other property.
- X A procurement of personal, professional, or planning services
- Other exemption from Chapter 252.022:

2. Describe this procurement

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- What it is for and why it is needed? To provide consultation services to City Management to ensure successful implementation of Reimagining Public safety efforts.
- Describe the following (as applicable):
 - For Public Calamity, Public Health and Safety, Unforeseen Damage to Public Machinery or Equipment, or Critical Business Need Exemptions:
 - Provide description of the event leading to the procurement and a business justification for this purchase.
 - What would be the impact to department operations and the community if this purchase was not made?
 - How and why this vendor was selected?
 - For Professional, Personal, or Planning Service Exemptions:
 - Why is the vendor the most qualified to provide the services?
 - Does this vendor have a history of working with the City? If so, was it on this particular service?
 - Will this procurement be component of a larger service or phases of service?
 - Is the vendor a City of Austin local vendor?
 - Does the vendor hold an M/WBE certification with the City, a HUB certification with the State of Texas, or any other minority or women owned certifications?
 - What qualifications, certifications, or specialized training does the vendor have?
 - What is the impact if a contract is not secured with this particular vendor (loss of project timeline, loss of funding etc.)?
 - What other vendors can provide these services and why are they not the best fit for the contract?

• For Other Exceptions from Chapter 252.022:

• Explain the circumstances of the procurement.

\circ Prices were determined to be reasonable based on the following (select all that apply):

- Prices are established under a current Cooperative contract.
 Notes: At a minimum, note the contract number, contract title, cooperative entity, and government or entity who created the contract.
- Prices are the same or similar to current City contract.
 Notes: At a minimum, note the City of Austin contract number and title.
- Prices are the same or similar to current contract with another government.
 Notes: At a minimum, note the contract number, title and government that created the contract.
- Prices are on a current and publicly available list price, for the same or similar products, available to all government and commercial customers.

Notes: At a minimum, note the list price title, source of the list price (catalog and catalog publish date or web address and download date).

- Prices are established by law or regulation.
 Notes: At a minimum, note the legal or regulatory reference that established the prices.
- X Other means of determining Price Reasonableness.
 Notes: Describe any other source that was used to establish Price Reasonableness.

* The questions in the form are designed to justify why this purchase should be exempt from a competitive procurement process. Failure to provide adequate documentation to substantiate the request may lead to the request being rejected.

In 2018, the City Manager supported the expansion of departmental equity assessments and mandated that all City departments complete the process. The second equity assessment cohort included the Austin Police Department (APD), an immense organization with 2,646 employees divided among 48 divisions. In 2019, the City's Equity Office began engaging in this process with seven (7) divisions within APD. The APD divisions included, Training, Recruiting, Data Planning, Internal Affairs, Finance, Human Resources, and Victim Services. After the equity assessment process, APD leadership identified the need for an additional process to dive deeper into the culture of the Department, as well as support identifying potential solutions to address equity concerns.

After consultation with the Equity Office, APD identified Joyce James, who was hired in May 2020 to work in collaboration with the Equity Office to provide a comprehensive review of findings and recommendations of previous studies related to inequities in APD and to perform a broader cultural assessment and identify an intervention process.

This action will expand and extend Joyce James Consulting's contract, which will include key components to ensure successful implementation of the City' Reimagining Public Safety efforts:

- Serve as a consultant to the City Manager's Office by providing strategic and administrative advice for the review and tracking of recommendations. Provide reports directly to City Management, facilitate work sessions with general staff, strategy sessions with APD Executive Leadership and at levels other than executive staff and with the community throughout the term of this contract.
- Participate in monthly executive meetings as a member of the APD Executive Leadership, and ensure key decisions are made using a robust racial equity lens.
- Work with APD and/or the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership Team, assist in developing a tracking mechanism by which to measure progress on all outstanding recommendations and action plan items.
- Implement the Texas Model within APD, which serves as a framework for undoing institutional and structural racism and to address racial inequities within the Department. This model has proven to be effective in reducing racial inequities and improving outcomes for all populations.
- Facilitate Ground Water analysis services for APD leadership and staff at all levels to include a focus on understanding institutional and structural racism.
- Review the status of program and policy implementation based on previous recommendations, such as formal reports, task force recommendations, equity assessments, and communication and correspondence with the community, to ensure a cohesive plan of action is developed.

Joyce James has extensive expertise in this field, performing Ground Water analysis, successfully implementing the Texas Model, and has a deep understanding of the necessary work required for public safety reform. The report developed by Joyce James Consulting was woven into the work and initiatives currently underway at the City for reimagining public safety. It is essential that that the City continue contracting with Ms. James to fully incorporate the necessary measures to support the Reimaging Public Safety initiatives. This agency is determined the best agency to provide these services based on company professional experience, personnel and qualifications, and service capacity.

- **3.** Forward the completed and signed Certificate of Exemption to the Purchasing Office along with the following documentation:
 - X Scope of Work or Statement of Work (if applicable)
 - X Vendor's proposal/quote (if applicable)
 - X Project timeline with associated tasks, schedule of deliverables or milestones, and proposed payment schedule
 - X Professional resumes, certifications, and/or licenses (Professional, Personal or Planning Services Only)
 Other supporting documentation
- **4.** Because of the above facts and supporting documentation, the City of Austin exempts this procurement from Local Government Code Chapter 252 and intends to contract with:

(Vendor Name): Joyce James Consulting

(Description of Procurement): to provide consultation services to City Management to ensure successful implementation of Reimagining Public safety efforts.

5. Check the contract type (one-time or multi-term) and fill in the dollar amount and term as applicable:
 X This is a one-time request for an amount not to exceed \$2,900,000.

□This is a m \$v amount of \$	ulti-term contract request for (# months for b with (# of renewal options) for \$	ase term) in the amount of each for a total contract
Recommended	Patricia Bourenane	April 13, 2021
Certification	Originator	Date
Approved		
Certification	Department Director or designee (For Austin Energy, Deputy General Manager or designee	Date e)
	Nuria Rivera-Vandermyde	4/16/2021
	Assistant City Manager or designee* (For Austin Energy, General Manager or designee*) * Only needed for procurements requiring Council appro	Date oval)
Purchasing Office Review	Authorized Purchasing Office Staff	Date
Purchasing Office	Erin D'Vincent Digitally signed by Erin D'Vincent Date: 2021.04.16 09:35:16 -05'00'	April 16, 2021
Management Review (If required due to signa	Purchasing Officer or designee ature authority level)	Date



CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN ("City") and Joyce M James dba Joyce James Consulting ("Contractor") for Reimaging Public Safety Consultant

Contract Number: MA 4400 PA210000064

The City accepts the Contractor's Offer for the above requirement and enters into the following Contract. This Contract is between Joyce M James dba Joyce James Consulting having offices at 2401 Silent Brook Trail, Round Rock, TX 78665 and the City, a home-rule municipality incorporated by the State of Texas. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings given in the Contract.

1.1 This Contract is composed of the following documents in order of precedence:

- 1.1.1 This Document
- 1.1.2 Negotiated Terms and Conditions herein and attached as Exhibit A hereto.
- 1.1.3 Negotiated Scope of Work herein and attached as Exhibit B hereto.
- 1.1.4 Contractor's Offer, dated April 13, 2021, incorporated herein and attached as Exhibit C hereto.
- 1.2 <u>Term of Contract</u>. This Contract shall remain in effect for an initial term of thirty-six (36) months or the City terminates the Contract. This Contract may be extended beyond the initial term for up to two (2) additional twelve (12) month periods at the City's sole option.
- 1.3 **Designation of Key Personnel.** The City and the Contractor resolve to keep the same key personnel assigned to this engagement throughout its term. In the event that it becomes necessary for the Contractor to replace any key personnel, the replacement will be an individual having equivalent experience and competence in executing projects such as the one described herein. Additionally, the Contractor shall promptly notify the City and obtain approval for the replacement. Such approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. The Contractor's and City's key personnel are identified as follows:

	Name	Phone Number	Email Address
Contractor Contract Manager	Joyce James	<u>409-553-0314</u>	jjameslmsw@aol.com
City Contract Manager	Nuria Rivera- Vandermyde	<u>512-974-2411</u>	Nuria.Rivera-Vandermyde@austintexas.gov
City Project Managers	Rey Arellano	<u>512-974-2222</u>	Rev.Arellano@austintexas.gov
City Project Managers	Brion Oaks	<u>512-974-7979</u>	Brion.Oaks@austintexas.gov
City Procurement Specialist	Erin D'Vincent	512-974-3070	Erin.DVincent@austintexas.gov

1.4 <u>Invoices.</u> The City's preference is to have invoices emailed to Charlotte Huskey at <u>Charlotte.Huskey@austintexas.gov</u>

For questions regarding your invoice/payment please contact the City Contract Manager.

This Contract (including any Exhibits and referenced Documents) constitutes the entire agreement of the parties regarding the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, relating to such subject matter. This Contract may be altered, amended, or modified only by a written instrument signed by the duly authorized representatives of both parties.

In witness whereof, the parties have caused a duly authorized representative to execute this Contract on the date set forth below.

Joyce M James dba Joyce James Consulting

Joyce James

Printed Name of Authorized Person

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President/ CEO

Title:

April 21, 2021

Date:

CITY OF AUSTIN

Erin D'Vincent
Printed Name of Authorized Person
Erin D'Vincent Digitally signed by Erin D'Vincent Date: 2021.04.27 12:12:15 -05'00'
Signature
Procurement Supervisor
Title:
April 27, 2021

Date:

The Contractor agrees that the Contract shall be governed by the following terms and conditions.

1 GENERAL

1.1 TERM OF CONTRACT:

- A. The Contract shall commence upon execution unless otherwise specified and shall continue in effect until all obligations are performed in accordance with the Contract. Upon written notice to the Contractor from the City's Purchasing Officer or designee, the Contract may be extended beyond the initial term at the City's sole option unless the Contractor is notified 30 days prior to the expiration. If the City exercises any extension option, all terms, conditions, and provisions of the Contract shall remain in effect for that extension period, subject only to any economic price adjustment otherwise allowed under the Contract.
- B. Upon expiration of the initial term or any period of extension, the Contractor agrees to holdover under the terms and conditions of this Contract for such a period as is reasonably necessary for the City to resolicit and/or complete the Deliverables due under this Contract. Any holdover period will not exceed 180 calendar days unless mutually agreed on by both parties in writing.

1.2 INDEFINITE QUANTITY:

The quantities and/or services listed herein are estimates of the goods and services needed by the City for the period of the Contract. The City reserves the right to purchase more or less of these quantities and/or services as may be required during the Contract term. Quantities and/or services will be as needed and specified by the City for each order. Unless specified in the Contract, there are no minimum order quantities.

1.3 INVOICES:

- A. The Contractor shall submit separate Invoices for each Order after each delivery or on the schedule provided in the Contract. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, a separate Invoice must be sent for each shipment or delivery made.
- B. Invoices shall be sent to the address on the Purchase Order of Delivery Order in the section entitled, "BILL TO". Proper Invoices must include a unique Invoice number, the purchase Order or delivery Order number, the master agreement number (if applicable), the Department's Name, and the name of the point of contact for the Department. Invoices shall be itemized according to pricing structure in the Contract. A copy of the bill of lading and the freight waybill, when applicable, shall be attached to the Invoice. The Contractor's name and, if applicable, the tax identification number on the Invoice must exactly match the information in the Vendor's registration with the City. Unless otherwise instructed in writing, the City may rely on the remittance address specified on the Contractor's Invoice. Invoices received without all required information cannot be processed and will be returned to the vendor.
- C. Invoices for labor shall include a tabulation of work-hours at the appropriate rates and grouped by work Order number. Time billed for labor shall be limited to hours actually worked.
- D. Unless otherwise expressly authorized in the Contract, the Contractor shall pass through all Subcontracting and other authorized expenses at actual cost without markup.
- E. Federal excise taxes, State taxes, or City sales taxes must not be included in the Invoiced amount. The City will furnish a tax exemption certificate upon request.

1.4 PAYMENT:

- A. All proper Invoices received by the City will be paid within 30 calendar days of the City's receipt of the Deliverables or of the Invoice, whichever is later.
- B. If payment is not timely made, (per Paragraph A), interest shall accrue on the unpaid balance at the lesser of the rate specified in Texas Government Code §2251.025 or the maximum lawful rate; except, if payment is not timely made for a reason for which the City may withhold payment hereunder, interest shall not accrue until 10 calendar days after the grounds for withholding payment have been resolved.
- C. If partial shipments or deliveries are authorized by the City, the Contractor will be paid for the partial shipment or delivery, as stated above, provided that the Invoice matches the shipment or delivery.
- D. The City may withhold or set off the entire payment or part of any payment otherwise due the Contractor to such extent as may be necessary on account of:
 - i. Delivery of defective or non-conforming Deliverables by the Contractor;

- ii. Third party claims, which are not covered by the insurance which the Contractor is required to provide under the terms of this Contract, are filed or there is reasonable evidence indicating probable filing of such claims;
- iii. Failure of the Contractor to pay Subcontractors, or for labor, materials or equipment;
- iv. Damage to the property of the City or the City's agents, employees or Contractors, which is not covered by insurance required to be provided by the Contractor;
- v. Reasonable evidence demonstrates that the Contractor's obligations will not be completed within the time specified in the Contract, and that the unpaid balance would not be adequate to cover actual or liquidated damages for the anticipated delay;
- vi. Failure of the Contractor to submit proper Invoices with all required attachments and supporting documentation; or
- vii. Failure of the Contractor to comply with any material provision of the Contract Documents.
- E. Notice is hereby given of Article VIII, §1 of the Austin City Charter which prohibits the payment of any money to any person, firm or corporation who is in arrears to the City for taxes, and of §2-8-3 of the Austin City Code concerning the right of the City to offset indebtedness owed the City.
- F. The Contractor agrees to accept payment by either credit card, check or Electronic Funds Transfer for all goods and/or services provided under the Contract. The Contractor shall factor the cost of processing credit card payments into the Offer. There shall be no additional charges, surcharges, or penalties to the City for payments made by credit card.
- G. The awarding or continuation of this Contract is dependent upon the availability of funding. The City's payment obligations are payable only and solely from funds appropriated and available for this Contract. The absence of appropriated or other lawfully available funds shall render the Contract null and void to the extent funds are not appropriated or available and any Deliverables delivered but unpaid shall be returned to the Contractor. The City shall provide the Contractor written notice of the failure of the City to make an adequate appropriation for any fiscal year to pay the amounts due under the Contract, or the reduction of any appropriation to an amount insufficient to permit the City to pay its obligations under the Contract. In the event of inadequate appropriation of funds, there will be no penalty nor removal fees charged to the City. The City shall pay the Contractor, to the extent of funds appropriated or otherwise legally available for such purposes, for all goods delivered and services performed, and obligations incurred prior to the date of notice of non-appropriation.

1.5 FINAL PAYMENT AND CLOSE OUT:

- A. If a Minority-Owned Business Enterprise/Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) Program Compliance Plan is required by the Solicitation, and the Contractor has identified Subcontractors, the Contractor is required to submit a Contract Close-Out MBE/WBE Compliance Report to the Project Manager or Contract Manager no later than the 15th calendar day after completion of all work under the Contract. Final payment, retainage, or both may be withheld if the Contractor is not in compliance with the requirements of the Compliance Plan as accepted by the City.
- B. The making and acceptance of final payment will constitute:
 - i. A waiver of all claims by the City against the Contractor, except claims (1) which have been previously asserted in writing and not yet settled, (2) arising from defective work appearing after final inspection, (3) arising from failure of the Contractor to comply with the Contract or the terms of any warranty specified herein, (4) arising from the Contractor's continuing obligations under the Contract, including but not limited to indemnity and warranty obligations, or (5) arising under the City's right to audit; and
 - ii. A waiver of all claims by the Contractor against the City other than those previously asserted in writing and not yet settled.

1.6 SPECIAL TOOLS & TEST EQUIPMENT:

If the price stated on the Offer includes the cost of any special tooling or special test equipment fabricated or required by the Contractor for the purpose of filling this Order, such special tooling equipment and any process sheets related thereto shall become the property of the City and shall be identified by the Contractor as such.

1.7 AUDITS AND RECORDS:

- A. The Contractor agrees that the representatives of the Office of the City Auditor or other authorized representatives of the City shall have access to, and the right to audit, examine, or reproduce, any and all records of the Contractor related to the performance under this Contract, at the City's expense. The Contractor agrees to refund to the City any overpayments disclosed by any such audit. The City agrees to protect from disclosure Contractor's confidential and proprietary information disclosed during an audit to the same extent it protects its own confidential and proprietary information, subject to the requirements of the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 2251, Texas Government Code.
- B. Records Retention:
 - i. Contractor is subject to City Code Chapter 2-11 (Records Management), and as it may subsequently be amended.
 - ii. The Contractor shall retain all records for a period of three years after final payment on this Contract or until all audit and litigation matters that the City has brought to the attention of the Contractor are resolved, whichever is longer.

1.8 FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES AND ASSURANCE:

The City may request and review financial information as the City requires to determine the credit worthiness of the Contractor, including but not limited to, annual reports, audited financial Statements and reports, bank letters of credit or other credit instruments. Failure of the Contractor to comply with this requirement shall be grounds for terminating the Contract.

1.9 **RIGHT TO ASSURANCE**:

Whenever one party to the Contract in good faith has reason to question the other party's intent to perform, demand may be made to the other party for written assurance of the intent to perform. If no assurance is given within the time specified after demand is made, the demanding party may treat this failure as an anticipatory repudiation of the Contract.

1.10 STOP WORK NOTICE:

The City may issue an immediate Stop Work Notice in the event the Contractor is observed performing in a manner that is in violation of Federal, State, or local guidelines, or in a manner that is determined by the City to be unsafe to either life or property. Upon notification, the Contractor will cease all work until notified by the City that the violation or unsafe condition has been corrected. The Contractor shall be liable for all costs incurred by the City as a result of the issuance of such Stop Work Notice.

1.11 DEFAULT:

The Contractor shall be in default under the Contract if the Contractor (a) fails to fully, timely and faithfully perform any of its material obligations under the Contract, (b) fails to provide adequate assurance of performance, (c) becomes insolvent or seeks relief under the bankruptcy laws of the United States or (d) makes a material misrepresentation in Contractor's Offer, or in any report or Deliverable required to be submitted by the Contractor to the City. The City shall be in default if it fails to make payment in accordance with the Payment terms of this Contract.

1.12 TERMINATION FOR CAUSE:

In the event of a default by either party, the non-defaulting party shall have the right to terminate the Contract for cause, by written notice effective ten 10 calendar days, unless otherwise specified, after the date of such notice, unless the defaulting party, within such 10 day period, cures such default, or provides evidence sufficient to prove to the non-defaulting party's reasonable satisfaction that such default does not, in fact, exist. Additionally, the City shall have the right to act in accordance with the terms defined by "City of Austin Purchasing Office Probation, Suspension and Debarment Rules for Vendors." In addition to any other remedy available under law or in equity, either party shall be entitled to recover all actual damages, costs, losses and expenses, incurred by the party as a result of the Contractor's default, including, without limitation, cost of cover, court costs, and prejudgment and post-judgment interest at the maximum lawful rate. All rights and remedies under the Contract are cumulative and not exclusive of any other right or remedy provided by law.

1.13 ATTORNEY'S FEES:

In consideration of the award and execution of this Contract and in consideration of the City's waiver of its right to attorney's fees, the Contractor knowingly and intentionally waives its right to attorney's fees under §271.153, Texas Local Government Code, in any administrative proceeding, alternative dispute resolution proceeding, or litigation arising out of or connected to this Contract.

1.14 TERMINATION WITHOUT CAUSE:

The City shall have the right to terminate the Contract, in whole or in part, without cause any time upon 30 calendar days' prior written notice. Upon receipt of a notice of termination, the Contractor shall promptly cease all further work pursuant to the Contract, with such exceptions, if any, specified in the notice of termination. The City shall pay the Contractor, to the extent of funds appropriated or otherwise legally available for such purposes, for all goods delivered and services performed, and obligations incurred prior to the date of termination in accordance with the terms hereof.

1.15 FRAUD:

Fraudulent Statements by the Contractor on any Offer or in any report or Deliverable required to be submitted by the Contractor to the City shall be grounds for the termination of the Contract for cause by the City and may result in legal action.

1.16 DELAYS:

The City may delay scheduled delivery or other due dates by written notice to the Contractor if the City deems it is in its best interest. If such delay causes an increase in the cost of the work under the Contract, the City and the Contractor shall negotiate an equitable adjustment for costs incurred by the Contractor in the Contract price and execute an amendment to the Contract. The Contractor must assert its right to an adjustment within 30 calendar days from the date of receipt of the notice of delay. Failure to agree on any adjusted price shall be handled under the Dispute Resolution Clause. However, nothing in this provision shall excuse the Contractor from delaying the delivery as notified.

1.17 FORCE MAJEURE:

Contractor may be excused from performance under the Contract for any period when performance is prevented as the result of an act of God, strike, war, civil disturbance, epidemic, pandemic, sovereign conduct, or court order provided that the Contractor experiences the event of force majeure and prudently and promptly acts to take any and all steps that are within the Contractor's control to ensure performance and to shorten the duration of the event of force majeure. Contractor shall provide notice of the force majeure event to the City within three (3) business days of the event or delay, whichever occurs later, to establish a mutually agreeable period of time reasonably necessary to overcome the effect of such failure to perform. Subject to this provision, such non-performance shall not be deemed a default or a ground for termination. However, the City may terminate an order under the Contract if it is determined by the City that the Contractor will not be able to deliver goods or services in a timely manner to meet the business needs of the City.

1.18 INDEMNITY:

- A. IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS HAVE THE MEANINGS ASSIGNED BELOW:
 - i. "INDEMNIFIED PARTY" IS THE CITY AND THE CITY'S OFFICERS, ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.
 - (1) "INDEMNIFYING PARTY" IS THE CONTRACTOR, ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, SUBCONTRACTORS, SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS.
 - (2) THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY SHALL INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND DEFEND THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY AGAINST ANY AND ALL LOSSES, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES, DEFICIENCIES, CLAIMS, CAUSES OF ACTION, JUDGMENTS, SETTLEMENTS, INTEREST, AWARDS, PENALTIES, FINES, COSTS OR EXPENSES, INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL FEES AND ATTORNEYS' FEES, THAT ARE INCURRED BY THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY ARISING OUT OF ANY DIRECT OR THIRD PARTY CLAIM OF:
 - ii. BREACH OR NON-FULFILLMENT OF ANY PROVISION OF THIS CONTRACT BY THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY;

- iii. ANY FALSE REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY MADE BY THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY IN THIS CONTRACT OR IN THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY'S PROPOSAL/RESPONSE LEADING TO THIS CONTRACT;
- iv. ANY NEGLIGENT OR MORE CULPABLE ACT OR OMISSION OF THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY, INCLUDING ANY RECKLESS OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT, RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS CONTRACT;
- v. BODILY INJURY; DEATH OF ANY PERSON; OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS OR DISEASE; LOSS OF SERVICES, WAGES, OR INCOME; OR DAMAGE TO REAL OR PERSONAL PROPERTY CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENT OR MORE CULPABLE ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF INDEMNIFYING PARTY, INCLUDING ANY RECKLESS OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT; OR
- vi. ANY FAILURE OF THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY TO COMPLY WITH ANY APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAWS, REGULATIONS, OR CODES RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS CONTRACT.
- B. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION ARE NOT EXCUSED IN THE EVENT A CLAIM IS CAUSED IN PART BY THE ALLEGED NEGLIGENCE OR MORE CULPABLE ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY, INCLUDING ANY RECKLESS OR WILLFUL MISCONDUCT.
- C. THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY SHALL GIVE THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY WRITTEN NOTICE (A "CLAIM NOTICE") OF ANY CLAIM RECEIVED RELATED TO THIS CONTRACT. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY'S DUTY TO DEFEND APPLIES IMMEDIATELY. THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY'S FAILURE TO PROVIDE A CLAIM NOTICE TO THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY DOES NOT RELIEVE THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY OF ITS DUTY TO INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS AND DEFEND THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY.
- D. THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY MAY SELECT ITS OWN LEGAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT ITS INTERESTS. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY SHALL:
 - i. REIMBURSE THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY FOR ITS COSTS AND ATTORNEY'S FEES IMMEDIATELY UPON REQUEST, AS THEY ARE INCURRED, AND
 - ii. REMAIN RESPONSIBLE TO THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY FOR ANY LOSSES INDEMNIFIED UNDER THIS SECTION.
- E. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY SHALL GIVE PROMPT, WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY OF ANY PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF A CLAIM THAT IS INDEMNIFIABLE UNDER THIS SECTION. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY MAY NOT, WITHOUT THE INDEMNIFIED PARTY'S PRIOR, WRITTEN CONSENT, SETTLE OR COMPROMISE ANY CLAIM OR CONSENT TO THE ENTRY OF ANY JUDGMENT REGARDING WHICH INDEMNIFICATION IS BEING SOUGHT UNDER THIS SECTION.
- F. MAINTENANCE OF THE INSURANCE REQUIRED BY THIS CONTRACT SHALL NOT LIMIT THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THIS SECTION. THE INDEMNIFYING PARTY SHALL REQUIRE ALL SUBCONTRACTORS TO INDEMNIFY THE CITY IN THE SAME MANNER AS PROVIDED IN THIS SECTION.

1.19 NOTICES:

Unless otherwise specified, all notices, requests, or other communications required or appropriate to be given under the Contract shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered three business days after postmarked if sent by U.S. Postal Service Certified or Registered Mail, Return Receipt Requested. Notices delivered by other means shall be deemed delivered upon receipt by the addressee. Notices to the Contractor shall be sent to the address registered with the City. Notices to the City shall be addressed to the City at P.O. Box 1088, Austin, Texas 78767 and marked to the attention of the assigned Procurement Specialist.

1.20 CONFIDENTIALITY:

The Contractor may be granted access to certain of the City's or licensor's confidential information (including inventions, employee information, trade secrets, confidential know-how, confidential business information, and other information which City or its licensors consider confidential) (Confidential Information) to provide the Deliverables to the City. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Confidential Information is the valuable property of the City and its licensors and any unauthorized use, disclosure, dissemination, or other release of the Confidential Information will substantially injure the City and its licensors. The Contractor

(including its employees, Subcontractors, agents, or representatives) agrees it will maintain the Confidential Information in strict confidence and shall not disclose, disseminate, copy, divulge, recreate, or otherwise use the Confidential Information without prior written consent of City, or in a manner not expressly permitted under this Contract, unless the Confidential Information is required to be disclosed by law or an Order of a court or other governmental authority (including a Texas Attorney General opinion) with proper jurisdiction. In all cases, the Contractor agrees to promptly notify the City before disclosing Confidential Information to permit the City reasonable time to seek an appropriate protective Order. The Contractor agrees to use protective measures no less stringent than the Contractor uses in its business to protect its own most valuable information. In all circumstances, the Contractor's protective measures must be at least reasonable measures to ensure the continued confidentiality of the Confidential Information.

- A. Confidential information includes, but is not limited to, all information regarding commercial data, customer information, financial data and projections, pricing proposals, and cost analyses, whether in tangible form or orally or visually conveyed to, or acquired by, the Contractor in the course of its work under the Contract. Confidential Information may be in any medium and may be written or oral.
- B. The Contractor agrees: (i) not to use Confidential Information for any reason other than for the purpose of providing or receiving the Deliverables, (ii) not to disclose Confidential Information to any third party other than to its employees who have a need to know the Confidential Information for furtherance of providing the Deliverables, (iii) to promptly notify City of any request for Confidential Information to be disclosed under any law or Order of any court or other governmental authority with proper jurisdiction, so as to permit City reasonable time to seek an appropriate protective Order, and (iv) to use measures to protect the Confidential Information that are no less stringent than the Contractor uses within its own business to protect its own most valuable information, which protective measures shall under all circumstances be at least reasonable measures to ensure the confidentiality of the Confidential Information.
- C. All Confidential Information and derivations thereof shall remain the sole and exclusive property of City, and no license or other right to the Confidential Information or intellectual property is granted or implied hereby. Upon the written request of City, the Contractor shall promptly return to City all tangible items of Confidential Information furnished by City and all copies thereof or certify in writing that all Confidential Information, including all copies, has been destroyed.
- D. No expiration or termination of the Contract shall affect either party's rights or obligations with respect to Confidential Information.
- E. The parties acknowledge and agree that any breach or threatened breach of the Contract could cause harm for which money damages may not provide an adequate remedy. The parties agree that in the event of such a breach or threatened breach of the Contract, in addition to any other available remedies, City may seek temporary and permanent injunctive relief restraining the Contractor from disclosing or using, in whole or in part, any Confidential Information.

1.21 TEXAS PUBLIC INFORMATION ACT:

- A. All material submitted by the Contractor to the City related to the Contract shall become property of the City upon receipt. Any portions of such material claimed by the Contractor to be proprietary must be clearly marked as such. Determination of the public nature of the material is subject to the Texas Public Information Act, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code.
- B. In accordance with Texas Government Code §552.372, if this Contract has a stated expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by the City or results in the expenditure of at least \$1 million in public funds for the purchase of goods or services by the City in a fiscal year, Contractor agrees to:
 - i. Preserve all Contracting information related to the Contract as provided by the records retention requirements in the AUDITS AND RECORDS Section of the Contract;
 - ii. Promptly provide to the City any Contracting information related to the Contract that is in the custody or possession of Contractor on request of the City; and
 - iii. On completion of the Contract, either:
 - (1) Provide at no cost to the City all Contracting information related to the Contract that is in the custody or possession of Contractor; or

- (2) Preserve the Contracting information related to the Contract as provided by the records retention requirements in the AUDITS AND RECORDS Section of the Contract.
- C. The requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Texas Government Code, may apply to this Contract, and the Contractor agrees that the Contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that Subchapter.

1.22 PUBLICATIONS:

All published material and written reports submitted under the Contract must be originally developed material unless otherwise specifically provided in the Contract. When material not originally developed is included in a report in any form, the source shall be identified.

1.23 ADVERTISING:

The Contractor shall not advertise or publish, without the City's prior written consent, the fact that the City has entered into the Contract, except to the extent required by law.

1.24 NO CONTINGENT FEES:

The Contractor warrants that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure the Contract upon any agreement or understanding for commission, percentage, brokerage, or contingent fee, excepting bona fide employees of bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by the Contractor for the purpose of securing business. For breach or violation of this warranty, the City shall have the right, in addition to any other remedy available, to cancel the Contract without liability and to deduct from any amounts owed to the Contractor, or otherwise recover, the full amount of such commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee.

1.25 GRATUTIES:

The City may, by written notice to the Contractor, cancel the Contract without liability if it is determined by the City that gratuities were Offered or given by the Contractor or any agent or representative of the Contractor to any officer or employee of the City of Austin with a view toward securing the Contract or securing favorable treatment with respect to the awarding or amending or the making of any determinations with respect to the performing of such Contract. In the event the Contract is canceled by the City pursuant to this provision, the City shall be entitled, in addition to any other rights and remedies, to recover or withhold the amount of the cost incurred by the Contractor in providing such gratuities.

1.26 PROHIBITION AGAINST PERSONAL INTEREST IN CONTRACTS:

No officer, employee, independent consultant, or elected official of the City who is involved in the development, evaluation, or decision-making process of the performance of any Solicitation shall have a financial interest, direct or indirect, in the Contract resulting from that Solicitation. Any willful violation of this Section shall constitute impropriety in office, and any officer or employee guilty thereof shall be subject to disciplinary action up to and including dismissal. Any violation of this provision, with the knowledge, expressed or implied, of the Contractor shall render the Contract voidable by the City.

1.27 INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:

The Contract shall not be construed as creating an employer/employee relationship, a partnership, or a joint venture. The Contractor's services shall be those of an independent Contractor. The Contractor agrees and understands that the Contract does not grant any rights or privileges established for employees of the City.

1.28 ASSIGNMENT DELEGATION:

The Contract shall be binding upon and ensure to the benefit of the City and the Contractor and their respective successors and assigns, provided however, that no right or interest in the Contract shall be assigned and no obligation shall be delegated by the Contractor without the prior written consent of the City. Any attempted assignment or delegation by the Contractor shall be void unless made in conformity with this Paragraph. The Contract is not intended to confer rights or benefits on any person, firm or entity not a party hereto; it being the intention of the parties that there be no third-party beneficiaries to the Contract.

1.29 WAIVER:

The claim or right arising out of a breach of the Contract can be discharged in whole or in part by a waiver or renunciation of the claim or right unless the waiver or renunciation is supported by consideration and is in writing signed by the aggrieved party. No waiver by either the Contractor or the City of any one or more events of default by the other party shall operate as, or be construed to be, a permanent waiver of any rights or obligations under the Contract, or an express or implied acceptance of any other existing or future default or defaults, whether of a similar or different character.

1.30 MODIFICATIONS:

The Contract can be modified or amended only in writing and signed by both parties. No pre-printed or similar terms on any Contractor Invoice, Order, clickwrap agreement or other document shall have any force or effect to change the terms, covenants, and conditions of the Contract.

1.31 INTERPRETATION:

The Contract is intended by the parties as a final, complete and exclusive Statement of the terms of their agreement. No course of prior dealing between the parties or course of performance or usage of the trade shall be relevant to supplement or explain any term used in the Contract. Although the Contract may have been substantially drafted by one party, it is the intent of the parties that all provisions be construed in a manner to be fair to both parties, reading no provisions more strictly against one party or the other. Whenever a term defined by the Uniform Commercial Code, as enacted by the State of Texas, is used in the Contract, the UCC definition shall control, unless otherwise defined in the Contract.

1.32 DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

- A. If a dispute arises out of or relates to the Contract, or the breach thereof, the parties agree to negotiate prior to prosecuting a suit for damages. However, this Section does not prohibit the filing of a lawsuit to toll the running of a statute of limitations or to seek injunctive relief. Either party may make a written request for a meeting between representatives of each party within 14 calendar days after receipt of the request or such later period as agreed by the parties. Each party shall include, at a minimum, one senior level individual with decision-making authority regarding the dispute. The purpose of this and any subsequent meeting is to attempt in good faith to negotiate a resolution of the dispute. If, within 30 calendar days after such meeting, the parties have not succeeded in negotiating a resolution of the dispute, they will proceed directly to mediation as described below. Negotiation may be waived by a written agreement signed by both parties, in which event the parties may proceed directly to mediation as described below.
- B. If the efforts to resolve the dispute through negotiation fail, or the parties waive the negotiation process, the parties may select, within 30 calendar days, a mediator trained in mediation skills to assist with resolution of the dispute. Should they choose this option, the City and the Contractor agree to act in good faith in the selection of the mediator and to consider qualified individuals nominated to act as mediator. Nothing in the Contract prevents the parties from relying on the skills of a person who is trained in the subject matter of the dispute or a Contract interpretation expert. If the parties fail to agree on a mediator within 30 calendar days of initiation of the mediation process, the mediator shall be selected by the Travis County Dispute Resolution Center. The parties agree to participate in mediation in good faith for up to 30 calendar days from the date of the first mediation session. The City and the Contractor will share the mediator's fees equally and the parties will bear their own costs of participation such as fees for any consultants or attorneys they may utilize to represent them or otherwise assist them in the mediation.

1.33 JURISDICTION AND VENUE:

The Contract is made under and shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas, including, when applicable, the Uniform Commercial Code as adopted in Texas, Bus. & Comm. Code, Chapter 1, excluding any rule or principle that would refer to and apply the substantive law of another State or jurisdiction. All issues arising from this Contract shall be resolved in the courts of Travis County, Texas and the parties agree to submit to the exclusive personal jurisdiction of such courts. The foregoing, however, shall not be construed or interpreted to limit or restrict the right or ability of the City to seek and secure injunctive relief from any competent authority as contemplated herein.

1.34 INVALIDITY:

The invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability of any provision of the Contract shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of any other portion or provision of the Contract. Any void provision shall be deemed severed from the Contract and the balance of the Contract shall be construed and enforced as if the Contract did not contain the particular portion or provision held to be void. The parties further agree to reform the Contract to replace any stricken provision with a valid provision that comes as close as possible to the intent of the stricken provision. The provisions of this Section shall not prevent this entire Contract from being void should a provision which is the essence of the Contract be determined to be void.

1.35 HOLIDAYS:

The following holidays are observed by the City:

Holiday	Date Observed
New Year's Day	January 1
Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday	Third Monday in January
Brasidant's Day	Third Monday in Echryony
President's Day	Third Monday in February
Memorial Day	Last Monday in May
Juneteenth	June 19
Independence Day	July 4
Labor Day	First Manday in Santambar
Labor Day	First Monday in September
Veteran's Day	November 11
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Thanksgiving Day	Fourth Thursday in November
Friday after Thanksgiving	Friday after Thanksgiving
Christmas Eve	December 24
Christmas Day	December 25
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If a Legal Holiday falls on Saturday, it will be observed on the preceding Friday. If a Legal Holiday falls on Sunday, it will be observed on the following Monday.

1.36 SURVIVABILITY OF OBLIGATIONS:

All provisions of the Contract that impose continuing obligations on the parties, including but not limited to the warranty, indemnity, and confidentiality obligations of the parties, shall survive the expiration or termination of the Contract.

1.37 NON-DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION:

When using Federal funds, the City of Austin does not Contract with or make prime or sub-awards to parties that are debarred or whose principals are debarred from Federal Contracts. By accepting a Contract with the City, the Vendor certifies that its firm and its principals are not currently debarred from doing business with the Federal Government, as indicated by the General Services Administration List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-Procurement Programs. The Contractor shall notify the Procurement

Specialist within five business days if they become debarred from doing business with the Federal Government during the term of the Contract.

1.38 EQUAL OPPORTUNITY:

- A. Equal Employment Opportunity: No Contractor, or Contractor's agent, shall engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in Chapter 5-4 of the City Code. No Offer submitted to the City shall be considered, nor any Purchase Order issued, or any Contract awarded by the City unless the Offeror has executed and filed with the City Purchasing Office a current Non-Discrimination Certification. Non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 of the City Code may result in sanctions, including termination of the Contract and the Contractor's suspension or debarment from participation on future City Contracts until deemed compliant with Chapter 5-4.
- B. **Non-Retaliation**: The Contractor agrees to prohibit retaliation, discharge or otherwise discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment who has inquired about, discussed or disclosed their compensation.
- C. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Compliance: No Contractor, or Contractor's agent, shall engage in any discriminatory practice against individuals with disabilities as defined in the ADA, including but not limited to: employment, accessibility to goods and services, reasonable accommodations, and effective communications.

1.39 MANDATORY ANTI-ISRAEL BOYCOTT PROVISION:

Pursuant to Amawi v. Pflugerville Independent School District, 373 F.Supp.3d 717 (W.D. Texas 2019), the State of Texas is preliminarily enjoined from enforcing this provision. However, if that injunction is lifted, this provision may apply to the Contract:

Pursuant to Texas Government Code §2271.002, the City is prohibited from contracting with any "company" for goods or services unless the following verification is included in this Contract.

A. For the purposes of this Section only, the terms "company" and "boycott Israel" have the meaning assigned by Texas Government Code §2271.001.

- B. If the Contractor qualifies as a "company", then the Contractor verifies that he:
- i. does not "boycott Israel"; and
- ii. will not "boycott Israel" during the term of this Contract.

C. The Contractor's obligations under this Section, if any exist, will automatically cease or be reduced to the extent that the requirements of Texas Government Code Chapter 2271 are subsequently repealed, reduced, or declared unenforceable or invalid in whole or in part by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction or by the Texas Attorney General, without any further impact on the validity or continuity of this Contract.

1.40 PROHIBITION ON LGBTQ+ CONVERSION THERAPY:

The Contractor certifies that it is aware of City Council Resolution No. 20191114-056, which prohibits the City from Contracting with entities that engage in certain practices related to conversion therapy. By accepting this Contract, the Contractor agrees that: (1) its firm and its principals are not currently and will not during the term of the Contract engage in practicing LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; referring persons to a healthcare provider or other person or organization for LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; or Contracting with another entity to conduct LGBTQ+ conversion therapy; and (2) if the City determines in its sole discretion that Contractor has during the term of this Contract engaged in any such practices, the City may terminate this Contract without penalty to the City.

1.41 SUBCONTRACTORS:

A. If the Contractor identified Subcontractors in an MBE/WBE Program Compliance Plan or Subcontractor Plan the Contractor shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C, and 2-9D, as applicable, of the Austin City Code and the terms of the Compliance Plan or Subcontractor Plan as approved by the City (the "Plan"). The Contractor shall not initially employ any Subcontractor except as provided in the Contractor's Plan. The Contractor shall not substitute any Subcontractor identified in the Plan, unless the substitute has been accepted by the City in writing in accordance with the provisions of

Chapters 2-9A, 2-9B, 2-9C and 2-9D, as applicable. No acceptance by the City of any Subcontractor shall constitute a waiver of any rights or remedies of the City with respect to defective Deliverables provided by a Subcontractor. If a Plan has been approved, the Contractor is additionally required to submit a monthly Subcontract Awards and Expenditures Report to the Contract Manager no later than the 10th calendar day of each month.

- B. Work performed for the Contractor by a Subcontractor shall be pursuant to a written Contract between the Contractor and Subcontractor. The terms of the Subcontract may not conflict with the terms of the Contract and shall contain provisions that.
 - i. Require that all Deliverables and services to be provided by the Subcontractor be provided in strict accordance with the provisions, Specifications and terms of the Contract;
 - ii. Prohibit the Subcontractor from further Subcontracting any portion of the Contract without the prior written consent of the City and the Contractor. The City may require, as a condition to such further Subcontracting, that the Subcontractor post a payment bond in form, substance and amount acceptable to the City;
 - iii. Require Subcontractors to submit all Invoices and applications for payments, including any claims for additional payments, damages or otherwise, to the Contractor in sufficient time to enable the Contractor to include same with its Invoice or application for payment to the City in accordance with the terms of the Contract;
 - iv. Require that all Subcontractors obtain and maintain, throughout the term of their Contract, insurance in the type and amounts specified for the Contractor, with the City being a named insured as its interest shall appear; and
 - v. Require that the Subcontractor follow terms as defined in section, AUDITS AND RECORDS and City Code Chapter 2-11
- C. The Contractor shall be fully responsible to the City for all acts and omissions of the Subcontractors just as the Contractor is responsible for the Contractor's own acts and omissions. Nothing in the Contract shall create for the benefit of any such Subcontractor any Contractual relationship between the City and any such Subcontractor, nor shall it create any obligation on the part of the City to pay or to see to the payment of any moneys due any such Subcontractor except as may otherwise be required by law.
- D. The Contractor shall pay each Subcontractor its appropriate share of payments made to the Contractor not later than 10 calendar days after receipt of payment from the City.

1.42 INSURANCE:

A **GENERAL INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**:

- i. The Contractor shall provide a Certificate of Insurance as verification of coverages and endorsements required in Section B., Specific Insurance Requirements, to the City prior to Contract execution and within 14 calendar days after written request from the City. Failure to provide the required Certificate of Insurance may subject the Offer to disqualification from consideration for award. The Contractor must also forward a Certificate of Insurance to the City whenever a previously identified policy period has expired, or an extension option or hold over period is exercised, as verification of continuing coverage.
- ii. All endorsements naming the City as additional insured, waivers, and notices of cancellation shall indicate, and the Certificate of Insurance shall be mailed to the following address:

City of Austin Purchasing Office P.O. Box 1088 Austin, Texas 78767 OR PURInsuranceCompliance@austinTexas.gov

- iii. The Contractor shall not commence work until the required insurance is obtained and until such insurance has been reviewed by the City. Approval of insurance by the City shall not relieve or decrease the liability of the Contractor hereunder and shall not be construed to be a limitation of liability on the part of the Contractor.
- iv. The City may request that the Contractor submit certificates of insurance to the City for all Subcontractors prior to the Subcontractors commencing work on the project.

- v. The Contractor's and all Subcontractors' insurance coverage shall be written by companies authorized to do business in the State of Texas and have an A.M. Best rating of B+VII or better.
- vi. The "other" insurance clause shall not apply to the City where the City is an additional insured shown on any policy. It is intended that policies required in the Contract, covering both the City and the Contractor, shall be considered primary coverage as applicable.
- vii. If insurance policies are not written for amounts specified in Section B., Specific Insurance Requirements, the Contractor shall carry Umbrella or Excess Liability Insurance for any differences in amounts specified. If Excess Liability Insurance is provided, it shall follow the form of the primary coverage.
- viii. The City shall be entitled, upon request, at an agreed upon location, and without expense, to review certified copies of policies and endorsements thereto and may make any reasonable requests for deletion or revision or modification of particular policy terms, conditions, limitations, or exclusions except where policy provisions are established by law or regulations binding upon either of the parties hereto or the underwriter on any such policies.
- ix. The City reserves the right to review the insurance requirements set forth during the effective period of the Contract and to make reasonable adjustments to insurance coverage, limits, and exclusions when deemed necessary and prudent by the City based upon changes in exposure, statutory law, court decisions, the claims history of the industry or financial condition of the insurance company as well as the Contractor.
- x. The Contractor shall not cause any insurance to be canceled nor permit any insurance to lapse during the term of the Contract or as required in the Contract.
- xi. The Contractor shall be responsible for premiums, deductibles and self-insured retentions, if any, stated in policies. Self-insured retentions greater than \$499,999 shall be disclosed on the Certificate of Insurance.
- xii. If any required insurance is written on a claims-made basis, the Certificate of Insurance shall state that the coverage is claims-made and the retroactive date shall be prior to or coincident with the date of the Contract and the coverage continuous and shall be provided for 24 months following the completion of the Contract.
- xiii. The insurance coverages specified in Section B., Specific Insurance Requirements, are required minimums and are not intended to limit the responsibility or liability of the Contractor.
- B. <u>Specific Insurance Coverage Requirements</u>: The Contractor, consistent with its status as an independent Contractor shall carry and will cause its Subcontractors to carry, at a minimum insurance in the types and amounts indicated below for the duration of the Contract, including extension options and hold over periods, and during any warranty period.
 - i. <u>Worker's Compensation and Employers' Liability Insurance</u>: Coverage shall be consistent with statutory benefits outlined in the Texas Worker's Compensation Act (Section 401). The minimum policy limits for Employer's Liability are \$100,000 bodily injury each accident, \$500,000 bodily injury by disease policy limit and \$100,000 bodily injury by disease each employee.
 - (1) The Contractor's policy shall apply to the State of Texas and include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - a. Waiver of Subrogation, Form WC420304, or equivalent coverage;
 - b. 30 Days' Notice of Cancellation, Form WC420601, or equivalent coverage.
 - ii. <u>Commercial General Liability Insurance</u>: Coverage with minimum bodily injury and property damage per occurrence limits of \$500,000 for coverages A (Bodily Injury and Property Damage) and B (Personal and Advertising Injury).
 - (1) The policy shall contain the following provisions:
 - a. Contractual liability coverage for liability assumed under the Contract and all other Contracts related to the project;
 - b. Independent Contractors coverage (Contractor/Subcontracted work);
 - c. Products/Completed Operations Liability for the duration of the warranty period;
 - d. If the project involves digging or drilling, provide Explosion, Collapse, and Underground (X, C, & U) Coverage.
 - (2) The policy shall also include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - a. Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CG 2404, or equivalent coverage;

- b. 30 Day's Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CG 0205, or equivalent coverage;
- iii. <u>Business Automobile Liability Insurance</u>: Coverage f or all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles with a minimum combined single limit of \$500,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Alternate acceptable limits are \$250,000 bodily injury per person, \$500,000 bodily injury per occurrence and at least \$100,000 property damage liability per accident.
 - (1) The policy shall include these endorsements in favor of the City of Austin:
 - a. Waiver of Subrogation, Endorsement CA0444, or equivalent coverage;
 - b. 30 Days' Notice of Cancellation, Endorsement CA0244, or equivalent coverage;
 - c. The City of Austin listed as an additional insured, Endorsement CA2048, or equivalent coverage.
- iv. <u>Professional Liability</u>: Contractor shall provide Professional Liability coverage, at a minimum limit \$1,000,000 per occurrence, to pay on behalf of the assured all sums which the assured shall become legally obligated to pay as damages by reason of any negligent act, error, or omission arising out of the performance of professional services under this Agreement.
- C. <u>Endorsements</u>: The specific insurance coverage endorsements specified above, or their equivalents must be provided. If endorsements, which are the equivalent of the required coverage, are proposed to be substituted for the required coverage, copies of the equivalent endorsements must be provided for the City's review and approval.

2 SERVICES

2.1 ACCEPTANCE OF INCOMPLETE OR NON-CONFORMING DELIVERABLES AND/OR SERVICES:

If, instead of requiring immediate correction or removal and replacement of defective or non-conforming Deliverables or Services, the City prefers to accept it, the City may do so. The Contractor shall pay all claims, costs, losses and damages attributable to the City's evaluation of and determination to accept such defective or non-conforming Deliverables or Services. If any such acceptance occurs prior to final payment, the City may deduct such amounts as are necessary to compensate the City for the diminished value of the defective or non-conforming Deliverables or Services. If the acceptance occurs after final payment, such amount will be refunded to the City by the Contractor within 30 calendar days of notification provided by the City.

2.2 WORKFORCE:

- A. The Contractor shall employ only orderly and competent workers, skilled in the performance of the services which they will perform under the Contract.
- B. The Contractor, its employees, Subcontractors, and Subcontractor's employees may not while engaged in participating or responding to a Solicitation or while in the course and scope of delivering goods or services under a City of Austin Contract or on the City's property:
 - i. Illegally use or possess a firearm, except as required by the terms of the Contract; or
 - ii. Use or possess alcoholic or other intoxicating beverages, illegal drugs or controlled substances, nor may such workers be intoxicated, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs, on the job.
- C. If the City or the City's representative notifies the Contractor that any worker is incompetent, disorderly or disobedient, has knowingly or repeatedly violated safety regulations, has <u>illegally</u> possessed any firearms, or has possessed or was under the influence of alcohol or drugs on the job, the Contractor shall immediately remove such worker from Contract services, and may not employ such worker again on Contract services without the City's prior written consent.

2.3 GUARANTEE – SERVICES:

The Contractor warrants and represents that all services to be provided to the City under the Contract will be fully and timely performed in a good and workmanlike manner in accordance with generally accepted industry standards and practices following the terms, conditions, and covenants of the Contract, and all applicable Federal, State and local laws, rules or regulations.

- A. The Contractor may not limit, exclude or disclaim the foregoing warranty or any warranty implied by law, and any attempt to do so shall be without force or effect.
- B. Unless otherwise specified in the Contract, the warranty period shall be at least one year from final acceptance. If during the warranty period, one or more of the above warranties are breached, the

Contractor shall promptly upon receipt of demand perform the services again in accordance with the services warranty standard at no additional cost to the City. All costs incidental to such additional performance shall be borne by the Contractor. The City shall endeavor to give the Contractor written notice of the breach of warranty within 30 calendar days of discovery of the breach of warranty, but failure to give timely notice shall not impair the City's rights under this Section.

C. If the Contractor is unable or unwilling to perform its services in accordance with the above standard as required by the City, then in addition to any other available remedy, the City may reduce the amount of services it may be required to purchase under the Contract from the Contractor and purchase conforming services from other sources. In such event, the Contractor shall pay to the City upon demand the increased cost, if any, incurred by the City to procure such services from another source.

2.4 DATA SECURITY:

A. Definitions. Capitalized terms used in this Section shall have the meanings set forth, below:

"Authorized Persons" means (i) the Contractor's employees; and (ii) the Contractor's Subcontractors and agents who have a need to know or otherwise access Personal Information to enable the Contractor to perform its obligations under this Contract, and who are bound in writing by confidentiality and other obligations sufficient to protect Personal Information in accordance with the terms and conditions of this Contract.

"Highly Sensitive Personal Information" means an (i) individual's government-issued identification number (including Social Security number, driver's license number, or state-issued identification number); (ii) financial account number, credit card number, debit card number, or credit report information, with or without any required security code, access code, personal identification number, or password that would permit access to an individual's financial account; or (iii) biometric, genetic, health, medical, or medical insurance data.

"Personal Information" means information provided to the Contractor by or at the direction of the City, information which is created or obtained by the Contractor on behalf of the City, or information to which access was provided to the Contractor by or at the direction of the City, in the course of the Contractor's performance under this Contract that: (i) identifies or can be used to identify an individual (including, without limitation, names, signatures, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, and other unique identification numbers, government-issued identification numbers, passwords or PINs, user identification and account access credentials or passwords, financial account numbers, credit report information, student information, biometric, health, genetic, medical, or medical insurance data, answers to security questions, and other personal identifiers), in case of both subclauses (i) and (ii), including, without limitation, all Highly Sensitive Personal Information.

"Security Breach" means (i) any act or omission that compromises either the security, confidentiality, or integrity of Personal Information or the physical, technical, administrative, or organizational safeguards put in place by the Contractor or any Authorized Persons, or by the City should the Contractor have access to the City's systems, that relate to the protection of the security, confidentiality, or integrity of Personal Information, or (ii) receipt of a complaint in relation to the privacy and data security practices of the Contractor or any Authorized Persons or a breach or alleged breach of this Contract relating to such privacy and data security practices.

Without limiting the foregoing, a compromise shall include any unauthorized access to or disclosure or acquisition of Personal Information.

- B. Standard of Care
 - i. The Contractor acknowledges and agrees that, during the term of this Contract, the Contractor may create, receive, or have access to Personal Information. For any Personal Information, the Contractor shall comply with this Section in its creation, collection, receipt, transmission, storage, disposal, use, and disclosure of such Personal Information and be responsible for any unauthorized creation, collection, receipt, transmission, access, storage, disposal, use, or disclosure of Personal Information under its control or in its possession by all Authorized Persons. The Contractor shall be

responsible for, and remain liable to, the City for the actions and omissions of all Authorized Persons concerning the treatment of Personal Information.

- ii. Personal Information is deemed to be Confidential Information of the City and is not Confidential Information of the Contractor. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this Section and any other Section of this Contract, the terms and conditions of this Section shall govern and control.
- iii. The Contractor agrees and covenants that it shall:
- iv. Keep and maintain all Personal Information in strict confidence, using such degree of care as is appropriate to avoid unauthorized access, use, or disclosure;
 - a. Not create, collect, receive, access, or use Personal Information in violation of law;
 - b. Use and disclose Personal Information solely and exclusively for the purposes for which the Personal Information, or access to it, is provided pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Contract, and not use, sell, rent, transfer, distribute, or otherwise disclose or make available Personal Information for the Contractor's own purposes or for the benefit of anyone other than the City, in each case, without the City's prior written consent; and
 - c. Not directly or indirectly, disclose Personal Information to any person other than Authorized Persons, without the City's prior written consent.
- v. The Contractor represents and warrants that its creation, collection, receipt, access, use, storage, disposal, and disclosure of Personal Information does and shall comply with all applicable federal and state privacy and data protection laws, as well as all other applicable regulations and directives.
- vi. The Contractor shall implement and maintain a written information security program, including appropriate policies, procedures, and risk assessments that are reviewed and updated at least annually.
- vii. Without limiting the Contractor's obligations under this Section, the Contractor shall implement administrative, physical, and technical safeguards to protect Personal Information from unauthorized access, acquisition, or disclosure, destruction, alteration, accidental loss, misuse, or damage that are no less rigorous than the National Institute of Standards and Technology ("NIST") Cybersecurity Framework and shall ensure that all such safeguards, including the manner in which Personal Information is created, collected, accessed, received, used, stored, processed, disposed of, and disclosed, comply with applicable data protection and privacy laws, as well as the terms and conditions of this Contract.
- viii. If the Contractor has access to or will collect, access, use, store, process, dispose of, or disclose credit, debit, or other payment cardholder information, the Contractor shall, at all times, remain in compliance with the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard ("PCI DSS") requirements, including remaining aware at all times of changes to the PCI DSS and promptly implementing all procedures and practices as may be necessary to remain in compliance with the PCI DSS, in each case, at the Contractor's sole cost and expense.
- ix. At a minimum, the Contractor's safeguards for the protection of Personal Information shall include: (i) limiting access of Personal Information to Authorized Persons; (ii) securing business facilities, data centers, paper files, servers, backup systems, and computing equipment, including, but not limited to, all mobile devices and other equipment with information storage capability; (iii) implementing network, application, database, and platform security; (iv) securing information transmission, storage, and disposal; (v) implementing authentication and access controls within media, applications, operating systems, and equipment; (vi) encrypting Highly Sensitive Personal Information stored on any media; (vii) encrypting Highly Sensitive Personal Information transmitted over public or wireless networks; (viii) strictly segregating Personal Information from information of the Contractor or its other customers so that Personal Information is not commingled with any other types of information; (ix) conducting risk assessments, penetration testing, and vulnerability scans and promptly implementing, at the Contractor's sole cost and expense, a corrective action plan to correct any issues that are reported as a result of the testing; (x) implementing appropriate personnel security and integrity procedures and practices, including, but not limited to, conducting background

checks consistent with applicable law; and (xi) providing appropriate privacy and information security training to Authorized Persons.

- x. The Contractor shall, at all times, cause Authorized Persons to abide strictly by the Contractor's obligations under this Contract. The Contractor further agrees that it shall maintain a disciplinary/sanctions process to address any unauthorized access, use, or disclosure of Personal Information by any Authorized Person. Upon the City's written request, the Contractor shall promptly identify for the City, in writing, all Authorized Employees as of the date of such request. Upon the City's written request, the Contractor shall provide the City with a network diagram that outlines the Contractor's information technology network infrastructure and all equipment used in relation to fulfilling its obligations under this Contract, including, without limitation: (i) connectivity to the City and all third parties who may access the Contractor's network to the extent the network contains Personal Information; (ii) all network connections, including remote access services and wireless connectivity; (iii) all access control measures (for example, firewalls, packet filters, intrusion detection and prevention services, and access-list-controlled routers); (iv) all backup or redundant servers; and (v) permitted access through each network connection.
- C. Security Breach Procedures:
- i. The Contractor shall:
 - a. Provide the City with the name and contact information for an employee of the Contractor who shall serve as the City's primary security contact and shall be available to assist the City 24 hours per day, seven days per week as a contact in resolving obligations associated with a Security Breach;
 - b. Notify the City of a Security Breach as soon as practicable, but no later than 24 hours after the Contractor becomes aware of it; and
 - c. Notify the City of any Security Breaches by telephone at 512-974-4357 and email at PICK APPROPRIATE ONE cybersecurity@austintexas.gov
- ii. Immediately following the Contractor's notification to the City of a Security Breach, the parties shall coordinate with each other to investigate the Security Breach. The Contractor agrees to fully cooperate with the City in the City's handling of the matter, including, without limitation: (i) assisting with any investigation; (ii) providing the City with physical access to the facilities and operations affected; (iii) facilitating interviews with the Contractor's employees, Authorized Persons, and others involved in the matter; and (iv) making available all relevant records, logs, files, data reporting, and other materials required to comply with applicable law, regulation, industry standards, or as otherwise required by the City.
- iii. The Contractor shall, at its own expense, use best efforts to immediately contain and remedy any Security Breach and prevent any further Security Breach, including, but not limited to taking any and all action necessary to comply with applicable privacy rights, laws, regulations, and standards. The Contractor shall reimburse the City for all actual costs incurred by the City in responding to, and mitigating damages caused by, any Security Breach, including all costs of notice and/or remediation.
- iv. The Contractor agrees that it shall not inform any third party of any Security Breach without first obtaining the City's prior written consent, other than to inform a complainant that the matter has been forwarded to the City's Attorney. Further, the Contractor agrees that the City shall have the sole right to determine: (i) whether notice of the Security Breach is to be provided to any individuals, regulators, law enforcement agencies, consumer reporting agencies, or others as required by law or regulation, or otherwise in the City's discretion; and (ii) the contents of such notice, whether any type of remediation may be Offered to affected persons, and the nature and extent of any such remediation.
- v. The Contractor agrees to maintain and preserve all documents, records, and other data related to any Security Breach.
- vi. The Contractor agrees to fully cooperate, at its own expense, with the City in any litigation, investigation, or other action deemed necessary by the City to protect its rights relating to the use, disclosure, protection, and maintenance of Personal Information.

- vii. In the event of any Security Breach, the Contractor shall promptly use its best efforts to prevent a recurrence of any such Security Breach.
- D. Oversight of Security Compliance

Upon the City's written request to confirm the Contractor's compliance with this Contract, as well as any applicable laws, regulations, and industry standards, the Contractor grants the City or, upon the City's election, a third party on the City's behalf, permission to perform an assessment, audit, examination, or review of all controls in the Contractor's physical and/or technical environment in relation to all Personal Information being handled and/or services being provided to the City under this Contract. The Contractor shall fully cooperate with such assessment by providing access to knowledgeable personnel, physical premises, documentation, infrastructure, and application software that processes, stores, or transports Personal Information for the City pursuant to this Contract.

In addition, upon the City's written request, the Contractor shall provide the City with the results of any audit performed by or on behalf of the Contractor that assesses the effectiveness of the Contractor's information security program as relevant to the security and confidentiality of Personal Information shared during the course of this Contract.

- i. Return or Destruction of Personal Information. At any time during the term of this Contract, at the City's written request or upon the termination or expiration of this Contract for any reason, the Contractor shall, and shall instruct all Authorized Persons to, promptly return to the City all copies, whether in written, electronic, or other form or media, of Personal Information in its possession or the possession of such Authorized Persons, or securely dispose of all such copies, and certify in writing to the City that such Personal Information has been returned to the City or disposed of securely. The Contractor shall comply with all directions provided by the City with respect to the return or disposal of Personal Information.
- ii. Equitable Relief. The Contractor acknowledges that any breach of its covenants or obligations set forth in this Section may cause the City irreparable harm for which monetary damages would not be adequate compensation and agrees that, in the event of such breach or threatened breach, the City is entitled to seek equitable relief, including a restraining order, injunctive relief, specific performance, and any other relief that may be available from any court, in addition to any other remedy to which the City may be entitled at law or in equity. Such remedies shall not be deemed to be exclusive but shall be in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity, notwithstanding to any exclusions or limitations in this Contract to the contrary.
- iii. Material Breach. The Contractor's failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Section is a material breach of this Contract. In such event, the City may terminate the Contract effective immediately upon written notice to the Contractor without further liability or obligation to the Contractor.
- IV. INDEMNIFICATION. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DEFEND, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS THE CITY AND ITS ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS, EMPLOYEES, AGENTS, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS (EACH, A "CITY INDEMNITEE") FROM AND AGAINST ALL LOSSES, DAMAGES, LIABILITIES, DEFICIENCIES, ACTIONS, JUDGMENTS, INTEREST, AWARDS, PENALTIES, FINES, COSTS, OR EXPENSES OF WHATEVER KIND, INCLUDING REASONABLE ATTORNEYS' FEES, THE COST OF ENFORCING ANY RIGHT TO INDEMNIFICATION HEREUNDER, AND THE COST OF PURSUING ANY INSURANCE PROVIDERS, ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM ANY THIRD-PARTY CLAIM AGAINST ANY CUSTOMER INDEMNITEE ARISING OUT OF OR RESULTING FROM SERVICE PROVIDER'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY OF THE OBLIGATIONS OF THIS SECTION.

2.5 TRAVEL EXPENSES:

All mileage expenses in connection with the Contract for which reimbursement may be claimed by the Contractor under the terms of the Contract will be reviewed against the current United States General

Services Administration Domestic Per Diem rates as published and maintained online at: https://www.gsa.gov/travel/plan-book/per-diem-rates

No amounts in excess of the Travel Policy or rates shall be paid. All Invoices must be accompanied by copies of detailed itemized receipts. No reimbursement will be made for expenses not actually incurred. Mileage charges may not exceed the amount permitted as a deduction in any year under the Internal Revenue Code or Regulations.

2.6 PLACE AND CONDITION OF WORK:

The City shall provide the Contractor access to the sites where the Contractor is to perform the services as required for the Contractor to perform the services in a timely and efficient manner, in accordance with and subject to the applicable security laws, rules, and regulations. The Contractor acknowledges that it has satisfied itself as to the nature of the City's service requirements and Specifications, the location and essential characteristics of the work sites, the quality and quantity of materials, equipment, labor and facilities necessary to perform the services, and any other condition or state of fact which could in any way affect performance of the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. The Contractor hereby releases and holds the City harmless from and against any liability or claim for damages of any kind or nature if the actual site or service conditions differ from expected conditions.

2.7 COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH, SAFETY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATIONS:

The Contractor, its Subcontractors, and their respective employees, shall comply fully with all applicable Federal, State, and local health, safety, and environmental laws, ordinances, rules and regulations in the performance of the services, including but not limited to those promulgated by the City and by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA). In case of conflict, the most stringent safety requirement shall govern. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from and against all claims, demands, suits, actions, judgments, fines, penalties and liability of every kind arising from the breach of the Contractor's obligations under this Paragraph.

2.8 WORKFORCE SECURITY CLEARANCE AND IDENTIFICATION (ID):

- A. Contractors are required to obtain a certified criminal background report with fingerprinting (referred to as the "report") for all persons performing on the Contract, including all Contractor, Subcontractor, and Supplier personnel (for convenience referred to as "Contractor's personnel").
- B. The report may be obtained by reporting to one of the below governmental entities, submitting to fingerprinting and requesting the report [requestors may anticipate a two-week delay for State reports and up to a four- to six-week delay for receipt of a Federal report.].
 - i. Texas Department of Public Safety for any person currently residing in the State of Texas and having a valid Texas driver's license or photo ID card;
 - ii. The appropriate governmental agency from either the U.S. state or foreign nation in which the person resides and holds either a valid U.S. state-issued or foreign national driver's license or photo ID card; or
 - iii. A Federal Agency. A current Federal security clearance obtained from and certified by a Federal agency may be substituted.
- C. Contractor shall obtain the reports at least 30 days prior to any onsite work commencement. Contractor also shall attach to each report the project name, Contractor's personnel name(s), current address(es), and a copy of the U.S. state-issued or foreign national driver's license or photo ID card.
- D. Contractor hall provide the City a Certified Criminal Background Report affirming that Contractor has conducted required security screening of Contractor's personnel to determine those appropriate for execution of the work and for presence on the City's property. A list of all Contractor Personnel requiring access to the City's site shall be attached to the affidavit.

- E. Upon receipt by the City of Contractor's affidavit described in (D) above and the list of the Contractor's personnel, the City will provide each of Contractor's personnel a City-issued Contractor ID badge that is required for access to City property that shall be worn at all times by Contractor's personnel while on the work site. Failure to wear or produce the ID badge may be cause for removal of an individual from the work site, without regard to Contractor's schedule. Lost ID badges shall be reported to the City's Contract Manager. Contractor shall reimburse the City for all costs incurred in providing additional ID badges to Contractor Personnel.
- F. The City reserves the right to deny an ID badge to any Contractor personnel for reasonable cause, including failure of a Criminal History background check. The City will notify the Contractor of any such denial no more than 20 days after receipt of the Contractor's reports. Where denial of access by a particular person may cause the Contractor to be unable to perform any portion of the work under the Contract, the Contractor shall so notify the City's Contract Manager, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the receipt of notification of denial.
- G. ID badges to enter and/or work on the City property may be revoked by the City at any time. ID badges must be returned to the City at the time of project completion and acceptance or upon removal of an individual from the work site.
- H. Contractor is not required to obtain reports for delivery personnel, including but not limited to FedEx, UPS, Roadway, or other materials delivery persons, however all delivery personnel must present company/employer-issued photo ID and be accompanied by at least one of Contractor's personnel at all times while at the work site.
- I. Contractor shall retain the reports and make them available for audit by the City during regular business hours

2.9 OWNERSHIP AND USE OF DELIVERABLES:

The City shall own all rights, titles, and interests throughout the world in and to the Deliverables, except as stated below.

- A. **Patents**: As to any patentable subject matter contained in the Deliverables, the Contractor agrees to disclose such patentable subject matter to the City. Further, if requested by the City, the Contractor agrees to assign and, if necessary, cause each of its employees to assign the entire right, title, and interest to specific inventions under such patentable subject matter to the City and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and, if necessary, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and, if necessary, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and if necessary, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver an assignment of letters patent, in a form to be reasonably approved by the City, to the City upon request by the City.
- B. Copyrights: As to any Deliverable containing copyrighted subject matter, the Contractor agrees that upon their creation, such Deliverables shall be considered as work made-for-hire by the Contractor for the City and the City shall own all copyrights. In and to such Deliverables, provided however, that nothing in this Paragraph shall negate the City's sole or joint ownership of any such Deliverables arising by virtue of the City's sole or joint authorship of such Deliverables. Should by operation of law, such Deliverables not be considered work made-for-hire, the Contractor hereby assigns to the City (and agrees to cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver an assignment to the City of Austin) all worldwide right, title, and interest in and to such Deliverables. With respect to such work made-for-hire, the Contractor agrees to execute, acknowledge and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver and cause each of its employees providing services to the City hereunder to execute, acknowledge, and deliver a work-for-hire agreement, in a form to be reasonably approved by the City, to the City upon delivery of such Deliverables to the City or at such other time as the City may request.
- C. Additional Assignments: The Contractor further agrees to, and if applicable, cause each of its employees to execute, acknowledge, and deliver all applications, Specifications, oaths, assignments, and all other instruments which the City might reasonably deem necessary in order to apply for and obtain copyright protection, mask work registration, trademark registration and/or protection, letters patent, or any similar rights in any and all countries and in order to assign and convey to the City, its successors, assigns, and nominees, the sole and exclusive right, title, and interest in and to the Deliverables, The Contractor's obligations to execute acknowledge, and deliver (or cause to be executed,

acknowledged, and delivered) instruments or papers such as those described in this Clause shall continue after the termination of this Contract with respect to such Deliverables. In the event the City should not seek to obtain copyright protection, mask work registration or patent protection for any of the Deliverables, but should arise to keep the same secret, the Contractor agrees to treat the same as Confidential Information under the terms of Paragraph above

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Scope of Work

Description: Joyce James Consulting – Reimagining Public Safety by Addressing Racial Inequities within the Austin Police Department through Executive Leadership Interventions and Implementation of the Texas Model

1.0 Introduction

Joyce James Consulting (JJC or "Contractor") contracted with the City of Austin's Office of Equity (OOE) in May 2020 to provide a comprehensive review of the findings and recommendations of previous studies related to racial inequities in the Austin Police Department (APD). A full report was provided to the OOE and APD on November 30, 2020. The report provides key findings, recommendations and responses to the JJC team's review related to racial inequities that exists in the culture of APD and the impact on internal and external stakeholders.

Review of the reports, interviews and survey data all indicate that change in APD requires an immediate response. The Texas Model, described below, serves as the framework for the recommendations. This model has proven to be effective in reducing racial inequities and improving outcomes for all populations.

APD has also been part of a broader Reimagining Public Safety conversation that has included both internal and external stakeholders. The report that JJC provided has been woven into the work staff has been undertaking as part of previous City Council resolutions on the topic of public safety reform.

2.0 Background

Ms. Joyce James, former Associate Deputy Executive Commissioner of the Center for the Elimination of Disproportionality and Disparities of the Texas Department of Health and Human Services, developed the "Texas Model." It is a framework for undoing institutional and structural racism and is designed to be effective in creating a willingness to "turn the mirror inward" to begin to develop a racial equity lens, and to raise the level of consciousness of individuals and institutions on racial equity issues by providing a "Ground Water" analysis as the strategy for eliminating racial inequities.

The application of the Texas model in Texas Child Protective Services (CPS) with 11,000 employees yielded nationally recognized improvements in the Texas CPS Program, including a reduction in disproportionality for African American and Native American children, and overall improved outcomes for all populations served. JJC has adapted the model for institutions outside of health and human services and child protective services, and its application has helped lead improvements in racial equity and antiracism in a vast array of institutions since its adaptation.

3.0 <u>Purpose</u>

Generally, the Contractor shall serve as a consultant to City Management to ensure successful implementation of Reimagining Public Safety efforts, including prior consultant reports and any future reform recommendations, participate in executive meetings as a member of the APD Executive Leadership, and ensure key decisions are made using a robust racial equity lens. Additionally, the contractor shall ensure the Texas Model shall be adapted to APD and be implemented as part of the Contractor's consultation. More specifically,

- 3.1 The Contractor shall provide reports directly to City Management, facilitate work sessions with general staff, strategy sessions with APD Executive Leadership and at levels other than executive staff and with the community throughout the term of this contract.
- 3.2 The Contractor shall provide its Ground Water analysis services for APD leadership and staff at all levels that includes a focus on understanding institutional and structural racism.
- 3.3 APD sworn and civilian staff will access the Ground Water analysis training along with supervisors in their chain of command.

3.4 APD sworn and civilian staff and their supervisors will complete a pre and post test that measures sentiments around their own behavior change.

4.0 <u>Tasks/Requirements</u>

4.1 Contractor's Responsibilities – Executive Leadership Consultation

- 4.1.1 Contractor shall participate in monthly executive meetings with APD Executive Team and consult the Contract Manager before key decisions are made within APD to ensure evaluation using an equity lens.
- 4.1.2 Contractor shall be available to represent the City with regard to the scope of the work outlined herein, including appearances at community events, committee meetings, task force sessions, and council meetings as needed.
- 4.1.3 Contractor shall review the status of program and policy implementations based on previous recommendations, such as formal reports, task force recommendations, equity assessments, and community communication and correspondence, to ensure a cohesive plan of action is developed.
- 4.1.4 Contractor shall, with APD and/or the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership Team, assist in developing a tracking mechanism by which to measure progress on all outstanding recommendations and action plan items.
- 4.1.5 Contractor shall meet with the Contract Manager periodically to provide assessments and evaluation of the work pertaining to the Executive Leadership Consultation.
- 4.1.6 Contractor shall dedicate up to 18 days for the first six months of this agreement and thereafter up to 18 days each fiscal year for the above Executive Leadership consultation and shall inform the Contract Manager if additional hours are required.

4.2 Contractor's Responsibilities – Implementation of the Texas Model

- 4.2.1 Contractor shall utilize the Texas model as the foundation for creating an anti-racism institutional culture. The model shall include data driven strategies, leadership development, cultural component staff, community engagement (internal and external community members), cross systems collaboration, anti-racist policies and practices, and an understanding of the history of institutional and structural racism in policing.
- 4.2.2 Contractor shall work with the department at least 40 days of each fiscal year in addition to the work with Executive Leadership to conduct training, leadership development, community engagement, strategy sessions, and other actionable items identified from leadership interactions during the development of the department Texas Model roadmap.
- 4.2.3 Contractor's training sessions shall be at least 6 hours each day delivered on two consecutive days. (Scheduling will take place after execution of contract and in coordination with the City's Contract Manager or designee).
- 4.2.4 Contractor's training sessions shall be delivered to 30 participants per twoday session. Contractor will complete Groundwater Analysis training with a minimum of 350 employees yearly.
- 4.2.5 Contractor shall provide all associated materials necessary to perform services under this contractor.
- 4.2.6 Contractor shall facilitate the training sessions.

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- 4.2.7 Contractor shall provide the training in person at a city facility to be identified upon contract execution. APD will provide any technology and administration of technology necessary for the training sessions.
- 4.2.8 Contractor shall administer the pre- and post-test survey and evaluation for each Groundwater Analysis workshop.
- 4.2.9 Contractor will provide a comprehensive analysis of the participant responses grouped as appropriate to capture trends in target groups, i.e., disaggregated by rank/leadership level and demographics across multiple classes.
- 4.2.10 Contractor shall provide administrations (collection of data) of the pre- and post-test survey.
- 4.2.11 Contractor shall provide raw anonymized data from pre- and post-tests to the City's Contract Manager.
- 4.2.12 The raw data and the required report shall be submitted to the City Contract Manager within 30 days of the final workshop of that employee target group.
- 4.2.13 Contractor's on-going strategy sessions with department leadership will result in an actionable plan, measurable benchmarks that define and gauge progress, and appropriate timelines for enhancing diversity at all levels of the department and creating an anti-racist culture.
- 4.2.14 Contractor shall provide leadership development training to increase the communication and engagement skillsets of leadership staff at all levels to reinforce APD's anti-racist organizational culture.
- 4.2.15 Contractor shall provide a two (2) day Groundwater Analysis training for cadet classes. Training Academy instructors may attend, if deemed applicable.
- 4.2.16 Contractor shall utilize the JJC Community Engagement Model for cofacilitating community engagement meetings and gathering community feedback to assess APD's progress in racial equity work.
- 4.2.17 Contractor shall create a process to engage the internal APD community, including cadets, on changes in organizational culture and employee treatment.
- 4.2.18 Contractor shall create a plan to identify and develop champions and ambassadors to internally reinforce the anti-racism work.
- 4.2.19 Given the findings of the previous work highlighting the specific and heightened disparate impact felt by African American officers across the divisions of APD, the Contractor shall develop a mentorship program for African-American employees in collaboration with members of the Texas Peace Officers Association (TPOA) and other African-American employee representatives. The model shall be documented and shared as a vehicle for cadet and employee group mentorship programs for future groups including, without limitation, Latino, Asian American, women, and LGTBQ specific employee groups.
- 4.2.20 Contractor shall provide a monthly performance report within 30 days of the previous months work to the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership team, and the City's Contract Manager during the duration of the contract.
- 4.2.21 Contractor shall provide bi-monthly virtual check-ins with the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership team and the City's Contract Manager during the duration of the contract.

4.3 City's Responsibilities

In order to accomplish the work described here, the City will perform each of the following Exhibit B

tasks:

- 4.3.1 Schedule an initial meeting between the Contractor, City Management and APD to set expectations of the work generally.
- 4.3.2 Schedule and coordinate training sessions and workshops with Contractor.
- 4.3.3 The City's Contract Manager will begin scheduling training sessions in June 2021. This may be subject to change as per the project's needs. If so, scheduling will be discussed with the Contractor to finalize an alternative schedule approved by the Contractor.
- 4.3.4 The City's Contract Manager will coordinate with the Contractor to finalize the pre- and post-test at least one week prior to the date of the initial training session. The Contractor shall meet or correspond with the City's Contract Manager as appropriate to determine the content (this is for questions beyond the standard inclusions by the contractor and agreed upon with the contractor). The City's Contract Manager will be responsible for analysis of these questions.
- 4.3.5 The City may follow up with the Contractor on questions to the report after its submission.

5.0 Appendices/Exhibits

Appendix 1: Racial Inequities and Institutional Racism: A Report Submitted to The City of Austin Equity Office and The Austin Police Department by Joyce James Consulting (November 2020)

Deliverables/Milestones	Description	Timeline (due/completion date, reference date, or frequency)	Performance Measure/ Acceptance Criteria	Contract Reference/ Section
Reporting	Raw data and the required report shall be submitted to the City Contract Manager	Within 30 days of the final workshop of that employee target group.	Delivery to City	4.2.12
Plan deliverable- The strategic plan needs to be informed by information from internal and external stakeholders.	Five (5) year strategic plan with clear goals and metrics	Within 90-180 days of strategy session with executive staff/senior leadership team pending community input.	Delivery to City	4.2.13
Process deliverable	Create a process to engage the internal APD community, including cadets, on changes in organizational culture and employee treatment.	December 2021	Delivery to City	4.2.17
Plan deliverable	Create a plan to identify and develop champions and ambassadors to internally reinforce the anti-racism work.	September 2022	Delivery to City	4.2.18
Mentorship program deliverable	Develop a mentorship program for African-American employees in collaboration with members of the Texas Peace Officers Association	December 2021	Delivery to City	4.2.19

6.0 **Deliverables/Milestones**

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Deliverables/Milestones	Description	Timeline (due/completion date, reference date, or frequency)	Performance Measure/ Acceptance Criteria	Contract Reference/ Section
	(TPOA) and other African- American employee representatives.			
Reporting	Monthly performance report to the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership team, and the City's Contract Manager	Within 30 days of the previous months work	Delivery to City	4.2.20
Virtual check-ins	Provide virtual check-ins with the Reimagining Public Safety Leadership team and the City's Contract Manager	Bi-monthly	Meeting agendas	4.2.21
Develop and finalize test	Contractor and City's Contract Manager collaborate to finalize the pre- and post-test	At least one week prior to the date of the initial training session	Delivery to City	4.3.4

18 days for Executive Leadership

40 days for specific APD work



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April 13, 2021

From: Joyce James Consulting
2401 Silent Brook Trail
Round Rock, TX 78665
To: City of Austin
Attention: Enjole Armstrong, Financial Manager II, Procurement & Contract Services, Marcia Brooks, Division Manager, DEI & Organizational Resources

QUOTE FOR SERVICES TO City of Austin City Manager and AUSTIN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Executive Leadership Consultation

Joyce James Consulting/ Contractor shall dedicate up to **18 days** for the first six months of this agreement and thereafter up to 18 days each fiscal year for consultation with Executive Leadership. This will include attending monthly executive meetings, reviewing status of policy and program implementation and developing specific process for monitoring and evaluating progress, and maintaining regular communication with City Manager and Contract Manager. Contractor will also make appearances at community events, committee meetings, task force sessions, and council meetings as needed.

Implementation of the Texas Model

Contractor shall utilize the Texas model as the foundation for creating an APD anti-racism institutional culture. The model shall include data driven strategies, leadership development, cultural component staff, community engagement (internal and external community members), cross systems collaboration, anti-racist policies and practices, and an understanding of the history of institutional and structural racism in policing that is intentional and deliberate about reducing, and ultimately eliminating institutional and structural racism.

JJC will dedicate **40 days** over the next 12 months and each 12 months thereafter to ongoing consultation and implementation of the Texas Model as per deliverables included in the scope of work for a period of up to five years, not to exceed 2.9 million dollars.



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Timelines for the total **58 days** of consultation in the first 12 months will be developed in consultation with City Manager, Executive Leadership, and Contract Manager.

Costs associated with the work are **\$10,000.00 (Ten Thousand Dollars)** per day for a total of **\$580,000 (Five Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars)** per year.

Note:

The daily rate for meetings may include multiple meetings constituting a day when the number of combined meetings reach a total of 6 hours.

Thank you, Joyce James CEO/ President Joyce James Consulting

City of Austin, Texas NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION CERTIFICATION

City of Austin, Texas

Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office

To: City of Austin, Texas,

I hereby certify that our firm complies with the Code of the City of Austin, Section 5-4-2 as reiterated below, and agrees:

- (1) Not to engage in any discriminatory employment practice defined in this chapter.
- (2) To take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without discrimination being practiced against them as defined in this chapter, including affirmative action relative to employment, promotion, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising, layoff or termination, rate of pay or other forms of compensation, and selection for training or any other terms, conditions or privileges of employment.
- (3) To post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office setting forth the provisions of this chapter.
- (4) To state in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, sex or age.
- (5) To obtain a written statement from any labor union or labor organization furnishing labor or service to Contractors in which said union or organization has agreed not to engage in any discriminatory employment practices as defined in this chapter and to take affirmative action to implement policies and provisions of this chapter.
- (6) To cooperate fully with City and the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office in connection with any investigation or conciliation effort of the Equal Employment/Fair Housing Office to ensure that the purpose of the provisions against discriminatory employment practices are being carried out.
- (7) To require of all subcontractors having 15 or more employees who hold any subcontract providing for the expenditure of \$2,000 or more in connection with any contract with the City subject to the terms of this chapter that they do not engage in any discriminatory employment practice as defined in this chapter

For the purposes of this Offer and any resulting Contract, Contractor adopts the provisions of the City's Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Policy set forth below.

City of Austin

Minimum Standard Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation in Employment Policy

As an Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) employer, the Contractor will conduct its personnel activities in accordance with established federal, state and local EEO laws and regulations.

The Contractor will not discriminate against any applicant or employee based on race, creed, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, veteran status, gender identity, disability, or sexual orientation. This policy covers all aspects of employment, including hiring, placement, upgrading, transfer, demotion, recruitment, recruitment advertising, selection for training and apprenticeship, rates of pay or other forms of compensation, and layoff or termination.

The Contractor agrees to prohibit retaliation, discharge or otherwise discrimination against any employee or applicant for employment who has inquired about, discussed or disclosed their compensation.

Further, employees who experience discrimination, sexual harassment, or another form of harassment should immediately report it to their supervisor. If this is not a suitable avenue for addressing their compliant, employees are advised to contact another member of management or their human resources representative. No employee shall be discriminated against, harassed, intimidated, nor suffer any reprisal as a result of reporting a violation of this policy. Furthermore, any employee, supervisor, or manager who becomes aware of any such discrimination or harassment should immediately report it to executive management or the human resources office to ensure that such conduct does not continue.

Contractor agrees that to the extent of any inconsistency, omission, or conflict with its current nondiscrimination and non-retaliation employment policy, the Contractor has expressly adopted the provisions of the City's Minimum Non-Discrimination Policy contained in Section 5-4-2 of the City Code and set forth above, as the Contractor's Non-Discrimination Policy or as an amendment to such Policy and such provisions are intended to not only supplement the Contractor's policy, but will also supersede the Contractor's policy to the extent of any conflict.

UPON CONTRACT AWARD, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE THE CITY A COPY OF THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICIES ON COMPANY LETTERHEAD, WHICH CONFORMS IN FORM, SCOPE, AND CONTENT TO THE CITY'S MINIMUM NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICIES, AS SET FORTH HEREIN, **OR** THIS NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICY, WHICH HAS BEEN ADOPTED BY THE CONTRACTOR FOR ALL PURPOSES WILL BE CONSIDERED THE CONTRACTOR'S NON-DISCRIMINATION AND NON-RETALIATION POLICY WITHOUT THE REQUIREMENT OF A SEPARATE SUBMITTAL

Sanctions:

Our firm understands that non-compliance with Chapter 5-4 and the City's Non-Retaliation Policy may result in sanctions, including termination of the contract and suspension or debarment from participation in future City contracts until deemed compliant with the requirements of Chapter 5-4 and the Non-Retaliation Policy.

Term:

The Contractor agrees that this Section 0800 Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Certificate of the Contractor's separate conforming policy, which the Contractor has executed and filed with the City, will remain in force and effect for one year from the date of filling. The Contractor further agrees that, in consideration of the receipt of continued Contract payment, the Contractor's Non-Discrimination and Non-Retaliation Policy will automatically renew from year-to-year for the term of the underlying Contract.

Dated this	8	day of	June	, 2020

CONTRACTOR Authorized Signature

JOYCE M JAMES D/B/A JOYCE JAMES CONSULTING

ames President/CEO

Title



GOAL DETERMINATION REQUEST FORM

Buyer Name/Phone	Erin DVincent	PM Name/Phone	Nuria Rivera- Vandermyde		
Sponsor/User Dept.	City Managers Office	Sponsor Name/Phone	512-974-2627		
Solicitation No	Not Applicable	Project Name	Consulting for APD		
Contract Amount	2,900,000.00	Ad Date (if applicable)	Advertisement Date		
Procurement Type					
AD - CSP AD - CM@R AD - Design Build AD - Design Build Op Maint AD - JOC IFB - Construction IFB - IDIQ PS - Project Specific PS - Rotation List Nonprofessional Services Commodities/Goods Cooperative Agreement Critical Business Need Interlocal Agreement Ratification					
Provide Project Description**					
Assisting the City Manag	er's Office with the implime	entation of the Reimagining	Public Safety initiative		
Project History: Was a solicitation previously issued; if so were goals established? Were subcontractors/subconsultants utilized? Include prior Solicitation No.					
Joyce James Consulting has been selected through a non-competitve process due to their specific expertise and experience for this very important and high level project					
List the scopes of work (commodity codes) for this project. (Attach commodity breakdown by percentage; eCAPRIS printout acceptable)					
91865 - Human Relations Consulting					
Shawn Willett		4/15/2021			
Buyer Confirmation		Date			
* Sole Source must include Certificate of Exemption					

**Project Description not required for Sole Source

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Date Received	Date Received 4/15/2021 Date Assigned to BDC		4/15/2021		
In accordance with Chapter2-9(A-D)-19 of the Austin City Code, SMBR makes the following determination:					
Goals	% MBE		% WBE		
Subgoals % African America		n	% His	spanic	
	% Asian/Native American		% WE	3E	
Exempt from MBE/WBE Procurement Program No Goals					



This determination is based upon the following:			
 Insufficient availability of M/WBEs Insufficient subcontracting opportunities Sufficient availability of M/WBEs Sole Source If Other was selected, provide reasoning:	 No availability of M/WBEs No subcontracting opportunities Sufficient subcontracting opportunities Other 		
MBE/WBE/DBE Availability			
Previde information on availability.	I/A		
Subcontracting Opportunities Identified			
-Liet any subsentracting opportunities identified. N/A			
Counselor Name Jessica Oberembt	Jessica Oberembt 04.15.2021		
SMBR Staff	Signature/ Date		
Tamela Saldana	Tamela Saldana 4.15.21		
SMBR Director or Designee	Date		

Returned to/ Date: